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Docket No.: 3645-0104P

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a \square continuation \square divisional \square continuation—in-part application under 37 C.F.R. \S 1.83,b of pending prior Application No. 09/071,351 filed on April 30, 1998, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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for

DETERMINATION OF METAL IONS IN SOLUTION BY PHOTOLUMINESCENCE ANISOTROPY

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 \] Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
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	BASIC FEE		\$710.00	\$355.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	24-20 =	4	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$36.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4-3 =	1	x 80 = \$0.00	x 40 = \$40.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED		+ \$270.00	+ \$135.00	
		TOTAL	\$3.00	\$431.00

- 3. \boxtimes A check in the amount of \$431.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
- 5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
 - a. \(\simega = -\text{This} \) application is a \(\simega \) continuation \(\simega \) divisional \(\simega \) continuation—in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/071,351, filed on April 30, 1998, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. \(\simega \) 120. Figure 5 of D. Elbaum et al., \(\circ \). Am. Chem. Soc., \(\frac{113}{215}\): 8381-838\(\circ \) (1996) is hereby incorporated by reference as Figure 9 of the present application.—

€.		Enclosed is/are $\underline{\text{eight}}$ 'sheet's of formal drawings and/or photographs.
7a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/071,351 on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
7b.	\boxtimes	The current application qualifies for small entity status.
ć.		The prior application is assigned to <u>University</u> of <u>Pennsylvania and University of Maryland, Baltimore</u> .
9.		A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
10a.		Priority of Application No(s) filed in on is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached topy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on
10b.		Priority of International Applnfiled onunder the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application Nofiled inonunder 35
11.		An Information Disclosure Statement and FTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
· ·	\boxtimes	Address all future communications to:
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13.		An extension of time for
14.		Also englosed herewith is the following:
		Revocation and Fower of Attorney, Substitute Fower of Attorney, Change in Correspondence Address

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It necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-1446 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments